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June 23, 2014 Uxbridge Fire Station 21 S. Main St, Uxbridge

## **Meeting Minutes**

Call to Order: 7:00pm

Quorum: 4/5 in attendance. Sandy Lemire not present.

Minutes of March 3, 2014: Kris Holt reporting. Minutes reviewed & accepted as

written.

Treasurer's Report: Barbara Hall reporting for Sandy Lemire. Balance of \$6454.61.

Treasurer's Report accepted.

Gardener's Forum – Q&A: Report of gates being opened, twine being cut. Be on the lookout for suspicious activity. Barbara has an old push mower. If Andrew DeVries can get it working, it will be left in the garden for members to use. Kris has contacted DPW to see if they will mow. If the DPW and/or volunteers don't work out, UCG will look into hiring someone to mow the gardens.

## **Old Business**

- 1. Jackie Wheelock is taking over the publicity book.
- 2. Garden assignements / Member list update: garden 91 is the only plot open. 6 plots have not been worked. Gardeners have until July 1 to start work or they may have to forfeit their plot. Updated member list reviewed.
- 3. Yahoo list update: Reviewed, Kris will update the group for new members.
- 4. URI program: The seed program went well. A lot of flower seeds were leftover. A large quantity of seeds were taken from the public library. A sign should be given to the library explaining the seed program at the same time the seeds are dropped off. The UCG will coordinate orders with other groups (food pantry, Whitin school, etc). No lima beans next year ©

## **New Business**

1. Water tanks & delivery plan: At least 3 volunteers are needed to fill water barrels; 1 driver and 2 for hoses. Ed Mahary is willing to help. Tanks were cleaned with a pressure washer. The 2 tanks are almost empty already. Some gardeners are filling their own barrels out of the white tanks. An email went

- out asking gardeners to continue to bring water from home for their own barrels. Barbara will get the water bill from Sandy to see how often water was delivered last season. Kim is checking on a possible water delivery June 30,
- 2. Compost bins: Jeremy, Brenda & Barbara built a compost bin out of pallets on the edge of garden 40. The Whitin garden is using it for a compost lesson. Barbara would like to put another one at 41 & 51. Kris will get one more pallet; there are 6 already up there to make the second bin. Barbara will discuss placement with Anne M. The general compost piles are starting to spread, gardeners need a review of where to place the compost (in the pile, not around it).
- 3. Work days: August 2, 2014 9-11am, before open house. An end-of-season workday will also be planned as needed.
- 4. Open house: Sat August 2, 2014. 10am-12pm. Jackie will have announcement put on the town common sign. An article will also go in the newspaper. August 1 NUT, deadline July 15. Kris will contact Lori Fafard to have it announced via Connect Ed. A scarecrow festival will be held, starting at the end of July. Barbara will spread the word to the gardeners. We will have a scavenger hunt, Kris & Kim will do a bee demo. Mary Helfrich might do something. Kris will contact to Michelle Seifkin to see if she is interested in doing an art project. Barbara will contact Pam Murphy.
- 5. Fall event: Barbara will talk to the senior center for use of facility. The UCG will discuss hosting a potluck.
- 6. Food pantry volunteers: Kris will put out a list of specific tasks that need to be done at the food pantry plot.
- 7. Community Harvest is coming in August to tour the UCG. Barbara will get additional details.

## **Next UCG Meeting TBD**

Respectfully Submitted,

Kristen Holt **UCG** Secretary

Barbara Hall

Chairperson

Kim DeMers

Vice Chair

Sandy Lemire

Treasurer

Kris Holt

Secretary

Jackie Wheelock Member at Large